Government officials including an AC.P. of Delhi Police who was a recipient of gallantry award;

(b) if so, the details of such cases; and

(c) whether complaints of corruption against these officials were also received earlier and if so, what action was taken against them and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRISURESH PACHOURI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. During the Special Drives conducted on 2.2.2005, 6.4.2005 and 30.6.2005 CBI has registered 16 cases for alleged possession of assets disproportionate to known sources of income against 16 Delhi based Government officials.

(c) The cases registered against the officials and the searches conducted, were outcomes of processing by CBI of the complaints against these officers as well as CBI's own enquiries.

Demand for reservation for SCs/STs

2601. SHRI B.K. HARIPRASAD: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whethe the National Commission for Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes has demanded reservation in armed forces, judiciary and autonomous bodies and initiation of penal measure against bureaucrats failing to implement such rules;

(b) whether the Commission has also sought suitable amendments to the reservation of posts and services for SC/ST and OBC Bill, 2004 now under consideration of the Parliament; and

(c) if so, Government's stand thereon?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) and (b) While furnishing their comments on the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Classes (Reservation in Posts and Services) Bill, 2004, the National Commission for Scheduled Castes

and the National Commission for Scheduled Tribes had recommended reservation in Armed Forces, Judiciary, Statutory Authorities, etc. The Commission also recommended incorporation of a penal provision in the Bill against public servants failing to implement the provisions of the Bill.

(c) Department Related parliamentary Standing Committee on Personnel, Public Grievances, Law and Justice had considered these suggestions and has since submitted its recommendations. A Group of Ministers is considering the recommendations of the Committee and other suggestions received by the Government on this subject.

Cadre review of CSSS (Stenographers Service)

2602. SHRI DHARAM PAL SABHARWAL: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government had approved the cadre review proposals of CSSS on 16th June, 2005;

(b) if so, the details thereof including decision on lateral entry of CSSS to CSS;

(c) whether no definite cadre strength in senior PPS and PPS Grades of CSSS has been proposed for decision by Government;

(d) if so, the reason therefor; and

(e) by what time Gazette Notifications in respect of Government decision dated 16th June, 2005 would be issued?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): (a) and,(b) The Government has approved several propbsals in connection with the restructuring of Central Secretariat Stenographers' Service (CSSS). Important decision taken, including decision on lateral entry of CSSS to CSS are listed in the Statement-I laid on the Table of the House. (See below)

(c) and (d) Consequent upon the Government decisions, the cadre strength-of Senior PPS and PPS of CSSS have been fixed at 68 and 130 respectively. To maintain parity in the total number of posts of Senior PPS